Annex- Measures of Environmental Governance and Effective Management

Measure of environmental legislation such as "Percentage of key conservation legislative tools instituted" where the value is determined by identifying what percentage of the following eighteen legislative tools are incorporated into a country's legal and regulatory framework:

- 1. Protected area and habitat reserve classification and zoning system
- 2. Mechanism for creation of protected areas
- 3. National park system
- 4. Management plan for activity within protected area required
- 5. Funding required for all activities within protected area
- 6. Zoning system for buffer area around protected area
- 7. Zoning system for restricted use area
- 8. Zoning system for biological corridors
- 9. Prohibition to alter protected area habitat
- 10. Distance requirements for habitat alteration near protected areas
- 11. Principles to guide the management of protected areas
- 12. Mandatory management direction and state of protected area reporting
- 13. National protection status for globally threatened species
- 14. Prohibition and permit requirements for the use of toxic substances and hazardous materials
- 15. Prohibition on the introduction / propagation of nonnative species
- 16. Environmental impact assessment requirements for land-use change
- 17. Management plan requirement for land-use change
- 18. Permit requirement for land-use change

Those countries that have low values should be encouraged to change their status for this indicator through direct investment to institute the listed legislative tools. Similarly, there is current work to include management effectiveness fields in the World Database on Protected Areas. Ideally, management effectiveness data will be available by country in the next few years and can eventually feed into the MCC investment decisions.